



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
: Examiner: M. Brooke
HIROKI TAJIMA, et al.)
: Group Art Unit: 2861
Application No.: 10/078,395)
: Filed: February 21, 2002)
: For: INK JET HEAD STORING)
STRUCTURE AND LIQUID)
FILLING METHOD) September 7, 2004

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for taking action in response to the Office Action dated May 5, 2004 for one month, from August 5, 2004 to Tuesday, September 7, 2004 (the first regular day of business following the Labor Day holiday).

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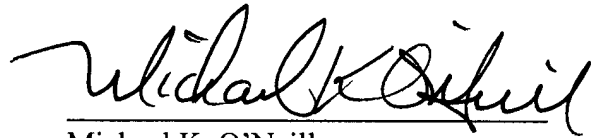
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Submitted herewith is a check for \$110.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael K. O'Neill", written over a horizontal line.

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